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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of East Asian Analysis

FROM

Assistant NIO for East Asia

SUBJECT: China Briefing Book -- Attached Memorandum from State

1. May I ask you to prepare for Secretary Shultz and Assistant Secretary Wolfowitz a briefing book similar to the June 1981 effort for Secretary Haig, as requested in the attached State memorandum.

2. Please note their desire to have this for Mr. Wolfowitz by the end of the month, in preparation for his possible December confirmation hearings.

Attachment As Stated

State Dept. review completed



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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November 2, 1982

TO:

David Gries, National Intelligence Officer, China

FROM:

EA/C - William F. Ro

SUBJECT:

China Briefing Book for Principals

At discussions held in this office on October 29 with Charles Martin and others, it was agreed that an updated briefing book would be valuable both for briefing Paul Wolfowitz, our Assistant Secretary-designate, and for the Secretary when he makes a visit to Beijing in the early part of next year.

I discussed this with Paul. He would be most interested in having such a book. The one you prepared for Secretary Haig in June, 1981, would be a good model. Topics for coverage could include: Deng's power base and job security; the success or lack thereof of the economic reforms and what the regime is doing to put the best face on the situation; relations between the Center and provincial authorities; how Deng is handling the PLA; Chinese perceptions of the U.S. leadership and how these affect PRC policy stances; Sino-Soviet relations; the future of Hong Kong; and the Taiwan Question in Chinese eyes. This list is not intended to be exhaustive.

We would like to have this soon; but if you could get a good package together by the end of the month, it would give Paul the time he needs to absorb the contents before appearing at his confirmation hearings, which could come in mid-December.

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